

Bills Introduced.

The following bills have been introduced in Congress since our last issue. These are not laws, but simply bills introduced and referred to the proper committees for their consideration and action:

H. R. 3974.

A BILL making appropriations for the payment of invalid and other pensions of the United States for the year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of pensions for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and for other purposes:

For pensions for Army invalids, thirteen million one hundred and fifty thousand dollars; for widows, minors, and dependent relatives, twelve million eight hundred and thirty thousand dollars; for survivors of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, eight hundred thousand dollars; and for widows of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, two hundred and eighty thousand dollars; and for fees of examining surgeons, eighty-five thousand dollars, as provided by the several acts of Congress.

For Navy pensions to invalids, two hundred and ten thousand dollars; and for widows and dependent relatives, three hundred and thirty-four thousand six hundred dollars; for fees of examining surgeons, one thousand dollars, as provided by the several acts of Congress: *Provided*, That the appropriations aforesaid for Navy pensions, and other expenditures under that head, shall be paid from the income of the Navy pension fund, so far as the same may be sufficient for that purpose.

For pensions payable under the act of March ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, namely, for survivors of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, five hundred and thirty-two thousand dollars; for widows of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, nine hundred and sixty-seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-four dollars: *Provided*, That so much of this sum as may be necessary shall be immediately available.

That from and after July first, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, or as soon thereafter as practicable, pensions shall be paid by the Treasurer of the United States, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, and the sum of ninety-six thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, not otherwise appropriated, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated to carry this act into effect; and this sum shall be immediately available: *Provided*, That until the said act is carried into effect, the special paying agents shall not be allowed more than ten cents per voucher, and shall, in addition to their proportion of salaries, be paid only for such contingencies as may be approved by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Treasury. And all acts and supplements of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

NOTE.—The total sum recommended by this bill is \$29,286,574.

H. R. 3879—Introduced by Mr. HARMER.

A BILL for the relief of certain pensioners.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all pensioners now on the pension-rolls, or who may hereafter be placed thereon, for amputation of either leg at the hip-joint, shall receive a pension at the rate of thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents per month from the date of the approval of this act.

H. R. 3138—Introduced by Mr. HARMER.

A BILL to grant arrears of increase of pension to all persons who have lost a limb or limbs while in the service of the United States since March fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in all cases where a pension has been, or may hereafter be, granted, on account of the loss of a limb or limbs, the present rate of pension shall commence from the date of discharge of the soldier: *Provided*, That the application for pension has been or shall hereafter be filed with the Commissioner of Pensions on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty: *Provided further*, That the limitation herein prescribed shall not apply to claims by or in behalf of insane persons.

H. R. 3524—Introduced by Mr. SHALLENBERGER.

A BILL to increase pensions in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after June fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, all persons entitled by law to a less pension than hereinafter specified, who, while in the military or naval service of the United States, and in line of duty, since March fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, shall have lost an arm at or above the elbow, or a leg at or above the knee, shall be entitled to a pension of thirty-six dollars per month; and all persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost a leg below the knee or an arm below the elbow, shall be entitled to a pension of thirty dollars per month; and all persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost one hand and one foot, shall be entitled to a pension of twenty-five dollars per month.

S. 843—Introduced by Mr. FERRY.

A BILL to grant increase of pensions in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after June fourth, eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, all persons entitled by law to a less pension than hereinafter specified, who, while in the military or naval service of the United States, and in line of duty, since March fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, shall have lost an arm at or above the elbow, or a leg at or above the knee, shall be entitled to a pension of thirty-six dollars per month; and all persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost a leg below the knee, or an arm below the elbow, shall be entitled to a pension of thirty dollars per month; and all persons who, under like circumstances, shall have lost one hand and one foot, shall be entitled to a pension of forty-five dollars per month.

H. R. 3724—Introduced by Mr. HARRISON.

A BILL to amend the act entitled "An act to provide for furnishing trusses to disabled soldiers," approved May twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section one of the act entitled "An act to provide for furnishing trusses to disabled soldiers," approved May twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, be, and the same is hereby, amended so that said section shall read as follows:

That every soldier of the Union Army or naval service who was ruptured while, in line of duty, during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion shall be entitled to receive a single or double truss, of such style as may be designated by the Surgeon-General of the United States Army as best suited for such disability; and whenever the said truss or trusses so furnished shall become useless from wear, destruction, or loss, such soldier shall be supplied with another truss, on making a like application, as provided for in section two of the original act of which this is an amendment: *Provided*, That such application is not made more than once in two years.

H. R. 3523—Introduced by Mr. SHALLENBERGER.

A BILL to revive the law and extend the time for filing claims for horses and equipments lost by officers and enlisted men in the service of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, The time for filing claims for horses and equipments lost by officers and enlisted men in the military service of the United States, under an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of horses and other property lost or destroyed in the military service of the United States," approved March third, eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and the several amendments made thereto, and which expired by limitation on the first day of January, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, be, and the same is hereby, extended to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and eighty, and that all claims for horses and other property lost or destroyed under the provisions of said act, filed in the proper department before the passage of this act, shall be deemed to have been filed in due time and shall be considered and decided without refiling; and payment in no case shall be refused where the loss resulted from any cause, exigency, or necessity of the military service, unless such loss was caused by the fault or negligence of the owner or owners of such lost property.

H. R. 3908—Introduced by Mr. VAN VORHES.

A BILL to provide a mode of paying pensions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all pensions shall be payable quarterly, on the fourth day of March, June, September, and December, in each year, by a check for the proper amount, drawn by the Commissioner of Pensions, on an assistant treasurer or public depository of the United States, payable in every case to the order of the pensioner, or the guardian of a pensioner or pensioners under disability, entitled thereto, the same to be transmitted, with suitable instructions, vouchers, and so forth, to the postmaster whose office shall be nearest or most convenient to the residence of the pensioner, to be delivered by such postmaster or a designated clerk or deputy, to the pensioner, guardian, or, in case of sickness or disability to appear in person, to the duly authorized agent or attorney of the pensioner, on presentation of the pension-certificate with satisfactory evidence of the identity of the pensioner, or, in the case of wards and minors, of their being still in life, and the signing of proper receipts, without being required to take or sign repeated oaths of identity, or other voucher than said receipts; but payments of pensions to persons in foreign countries may be made under existing laws.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of such postmaster, on the delivery of each check, to certify, in such manner as the Commissioner of Pensions shall prescribe, the due observance and compliance with foregoing requirements, and make immediate return thereof to the proper office; and it shall be his duty as early as practicable to report to the Commissioner of Pensions the death or removal to parts unknown of any pensioner within his post-office delivery, and to give prompt information of any violation of the provisions of this act or other pension-laws which may come to his knowledge; and in case of the death or removal of any pensioner before the delivery of his or her check, or in case of the failure, without known cause, of any pensioner to call for his or her check, it shall be his duty to return such check to the Commissioner of Pensions, with the causes therefor; and for his services under this act, such postmaster shall receive such compensation as may be provided for like services in other cases; but in no case shall any fees or expenses be charged to or incurred by any pensioner in obtaining the prompt payment of his or her pension on the day it falls due.

SEC. 3. The office of pension-agent as now existing is hereby abolished; and sections forty-seven hundred and sixty-four, forty-seven hundred and sixty-five, forty-seven hundred and sixty-six, forty-seven hundred and sixty-seven, forty-seven hundred and sixty-eight, forty-seven hundred and sixty-nine, forty-seven hundred and seventy, forty-seven hundred and seventy-one, forty-seven hundred and seventy-two, and forty-seven hundred and seventy-three of the Revised Statutes, and all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act, are hereby repealed.

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List of Battles of the War of the Rebellion.

We continue in this number the publication of an alphabetical list of the Battles of the War of the Rebellion from authentic sources, to be continued hereafter. It will be pleasant, we hope, for the old soldiers to see again the names and dates of battles in which they or their friends took part.

PLACE.	STATE.	DATE.
Campbellville	Tenn.	Sept. 5, Nov. 24, Dec. 24, 1864.
Camp Cole	Mo.	June 18, 1861.
Camp Crittenden	Mo.	Sept. 22, 1861.
Camp Jackson	Mo.	May 10, 1861.
Camp Marengo	La.	Sept. 14, 1864.
Camp Moore	La.	May 15, 1863.
Camp	Ja.	March 26, and April 4, 1864.
Camp Verdigris	I. T.	Sept. 2, 1864.
Canadian River	I. T.	August 21, 1864.
Cane Creek	Ala.	Oct. 26, 1863.
Do.	Ala.	June 10, 1864.
Cane Hill	Ark.	Nov. 28, and Dec. 20, 1862.
Do.	Ark.	Jan. 2, 1863.
Cane River	La.	April 24, 1864.
Cane River Crossing	La.	April 23, 1864.
Canon de Chelly	Ky.	Jan. —, 1864.
Canton	Ky.	August 22, 1864.
Do.	Miss.	July 11 to 18, Sept. 28, and Oct. 15, 1863.
Do.	Miss.	Feb. 24 to March 2, 1864.
Cape Girardeau	Mo.	April 26, 1863.
Do.	Mo.	February 5, 1864.
Capture of Fort Hell	Va.	September 10, 1864.
Capture of Rebel Ram Fair Play	La.	August 18, 1862.
Capture of Tug Columbia	Fla.	May 23, 1864.
Carnifax Ferry	Va.	Sept. 10, 1861.
Carriek's Ford	Va.	July 14, 1861.
Carroll County	La.	November 3 and 18, 1863.
Carrollton	Ark.	April 4, 1863.
Carrollton Store	Ark.	March —, 1863.
Carrollton	Va.	March 13, 1861.
Carsville	Va.	October 15, 1862.
Do.	Va.	January 30, May 15 to 18, 1863.
Carter's Creek	Tenn.	April 27, 1863.
Carter's Farm	Va.	July 20, 1861.
Carter's Station	Ark.	September 27, 1864.
Carter's Station	Tenn.	December 31, 1862.
Do.	Tenn.	September 22, 1863.
Do.	Tenn.	April 2, and 20, 1864.
Carthage	Ark.	November 27, 1862.
Carthage	La.	January 23, 1863.
Do.	Mo.	July 5, 1861.
Do.	Mo.	March 23, 1862.
Do.	Mo.	Jan. 13, May 16, 24, June 27, 28, and Oct. 2, 1863.
Do.	Mo.	Sept. 22, and Oct. 20, 1864.
Cass County	Mo.	November 3, 1862.
Cassville	Mo.	May 19 to 22, 1864.
Cassville	Mo.	September 21, 1862.
Cassville Station	Ga.	May 25, 1864.
Castor River	Mo.	April 29, 1863.
Catawba River	N. C.	April 19, 1865.
Catlett's Station	Va.	August 21, 22, and October 24, 1862.
Do.	Va.	January 10, 1863.
Cedar Bluffs	Colo.	May 3, 1864.
Cedar Creek, also known as Mid-	Va.	October 19, 1864.
dle town.		
Cedar Fork	U. T.	April 2, 1863.
Cedar Keys	Fla.	February 16, 1865.
Cedar Mountain, also known as	Va.	August 9, 1862.
Slaughter Mountain, South-		
west Mountain.		
Cedar Run and Mitchell Station.	Va.	August 9, 1862.
Cedar Run	Va.	October 17, 1864.
Cedar Run Church	Va.	Nov. 12, 1864.
Cedar Springs	Va.	Nov. 12, 1864.
Celina	Ky.	April 20, 1863.
Celina	Tenn.	December 7, 1863.
Centralla	Mo.	September 27, 1864.
Centre Creek	Mo.	February 29, 1865.
Centreville	Ala.	April 1, 1865.
Centreville	La.	April 13, 1863.
Centreville	Tenn.	November 3, 1863.
Do.	Tenn.	September 29, 1864.
Chickahoola Station	La.	June 24, 1863.
Chalk Bluffs	Ark.	May 15, 1862.
Do.	Ark.	March 19 and 15, April 1 and 30, and May 1, 1863.
Chambersburg	Pa.	July 30, 1864.
Champion Hill	Miss.	May 16, 1863.
Do.	Miss.	February 4, 1864.
Chancellorsville	Va.	May 1 to 5, 1863.
Chantilly, also known as O. Hill	Va.	September 1, 1862.
Chapel Hill	Tenn.	March 2 and 4, 1863.
Chapin's Farm	Va.	September 29 and 30, and October 8, 1864.
Chaplin Hills	Ky.	October 8, 1862.
Chapmansville	W. Va.	September 25, 1861.
Chariton Bridge	Mo.	August 3, 1862.
Chariton River	Mo.	August 9, 1862.
Charles City Crossroads	Va.	June 3, 1862.
Do.	Va.	November 16, 1863.
Do.	Va.	October 1, 1864.
Charleston	Illinois	March 28, 1864.
Charleston	Mo.	January 8, 1862.
Charleston	S. C.	February 18, 1865.
Charleston	Tenn.	December 24, 1863.
Charleston	Va.	October 6 and 16, Decem-
		ber 1, 1862.
Charlestown, also known as Bird's	Mo.	August 19, 1861.
Point.		
Charlestown	W. Va.	May 28 and September 12, 1862.
Do.	W. Va.	October 8 and 18, 1863.
Do.	W. Va.	June 27, 1864.
Charlottesville	Va.	February 28, 1864.
Chattahoochee River	Ga.	July 3 to 12, 1864.
Chattanooga	Tenn.	August 21 and November 23 to 25, 1863.
Do.	Tenn.	February —, 1865.
Cheat Mountain	W. Va.	September 12 and 13, 1861.
Cheek's Crossroads	Tenn.	March 16, 1864.
Cheese Cake Church	Va.	May 4, 1862.
Cheraw	S. C.	March 2 and 3, 1865.
Cherokee Nation	I. T.	January 18, 1863.
Cherokee Station	Ala.	April 17 and October 21 and 29, 1865.
Cherry Creek	Miss.	July 10, 1864.
Cherry Grove	Mo.	June 20, 1862.
Cherry Grove	Va.	April 14, 1864.
Chesterfield	S. C.	March 2, 1865.
Chester Gap	Va.	November 5, 1862.
Do.	Va.	July 21 and 22, 1863.
Chester Station	Va.	November 17, 1864.
Chewa Station	Ga.	July 18, 1864.
Chickahominy	Va.	May 24 and June 27, 1862.
Chickahominy	N. C.	October 5, 1861.
Chickamauga	Ga.	September 19 to 23, 1863.
Chickamauga Station	Ga.	November 24, 1863.
Chickasaw Bayou	Miss.	December 28 and 29, 1862.
Chickasaw Bluff	Miss.	December 28, 1862.
Childsburg	Va.	May 8, 1864.
Chippewa Steamer	Ark.	February 17, 1865.
Choctaw Nation	I. T.	October 7 and November 9, 1863.
Christmas Prairie	Cal.	December 26, 1863.
Chuckatuck	Va.	January 21, 1864.
Chulahoma	Miss.	November 30, 1862.
Chunky Station	Miss.	February 12, 1864.
Church-in-the-Woods	Va.	August 6, 1862.
City Belle Steamer	La.	May 3, 1864.
City Point	Va.	May 6, and June —, 1864.
Clarks Ferry	La.	May 10, 1863.
Clarendon	Ark.	August 15, 1862.
Do.	Ark.	March 15, June 23 to 30, and July 4, 1864.
Clarendon Road	Ark.	January 15, 1863.